Price of Levy Sugar

2107. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's policy of allowing additional price of rupees 26 per bag on levy sugar produced by the sugar factories with crushing capacity of less than 1250 T.C.D. is likely to applicable also to the sugar factories with crushing capacity of less than 25000 T.C.D.;

(b) whether Government of Maharashtra has made any representation in this regard; and

(c) if so, what is the decision taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI H.K.L. BHAGAT): (a) and (b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

Girls Hostel for SC/ST Students

2108. SHRI SHANTI TYAGI: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of hostels in the country for girl students belonging to the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes;

(b) what is the number of girls occupying these hostels; and

(c) whether Government are planning to assist in the construction of hostels for girls belonging to all communities?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF WELFARE (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) and (b) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House as and when received.

(c) No, Sir.

Pure Drinking Water for Residents in Delhi/New Delhi

2109. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI:

SHRI RAFIQUE ALAM:

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what steps have been taken by M.C.D. in Old Delhi and N.D.M.C. in Delhi areas and by the D.D.A. in various colonies of Delhi for the supply of pure drinking water; and

(b) whether Government have any proposal under their consideration for directing these bodies to supply pure water to residents of their respective areas?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) As per Statement enclosed (*See below*).

(b) No such proposal is under consideration.

Statement

Quality of water is checked and monitored right from raw water stage to the tail end at the consumer's tap. Samples of water are taken every hour from treatment plants at different stages of treatment for checking various para-meters of water. Samples of water are collected from the distribution system from various parts of the city in rotation for bacteriological examination as well as residual chlorine. In addition, the Municipal Health Officer carries out independent checking of quality of water of distribution system. The zonal Centre of the National Environment Research Institute located at Delhi also carries out random checking of quality of

drinking water in Delhi. The results of quality checking and analysis are sent to various organisations including Adviser, Ministry of Urban Development, National Environment Research Institute, Municipal Health Officer, National Communicable Diseases Institute etc.

Utilization of Coastal Shipping by Food Corporation of India

2110. SHRI HARVENDRA SINGH HANSPAL: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Food Corporation of India propose to utilise the coastal shipping to facilitate the movement of food grains;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the extent to which the movement of food grains is likely to speed up in the tribal areas of the country as a result thereof?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI H. K. L. BHAGAT): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) It is proposed to move approximately 2.64 lakh tonnes of wheat from Kandla and other Saurashtra Ports to Calcutta, Madras and Tuticorin by coastal shipping.

(c) Increased availability of wheat in Eastern and Southern regions will also facilitate distribution of foodgrains in the Integrated Tribal Development Project areas.

Night Shelters in Delhi

2111. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have introduced 'sleeping fee' for accommodation in any night shelters in Delhi; and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard and what are the reasons for introducing sleeping fee?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A fee of 50 paise per night has been imposed with effect from 2-1-87 for the provision of facilities/amenities and for proper maintenance of these night shelters.

Institute of Sugar Engineering in Tamil Nadu

2112. SHRI M. VINCENT: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the proposal to establish an Institute of Sugar Engineering in Tamil Nadu for teaching, research advisory, extension and information services has been taken up, in the 7th Five Year Plan;

(b) whether the necessary reports from the Directorate of Sugar and such other reports has been received; and

(c) what is the stage at which the proposal now stands?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI H. K. L. BHAGAT): (a) to (c) The approved 7th Plan outlay does not include any provision for establishing a new Sugar Institute and no decision has been taken to set up such a new Institute during the 7th Five Year Plan.